

# CITY BRIEFS

Details upcoming City of Irving activities and events



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## CITY INFORMATION SOURCES

### Web site

[www.ci.irving.tx.us](http://www.ci.irving.tx.us)  
Offers online payments, city news and event information.

### Irving Community Television Network

Time Warner – Channels 16, 95, 96

Verizon – Channels 30, 31, 32  
For program line-up or to view online: [www.ictn.tv](http://www.ictn.tv)

### City Spectrum

Newsletter mailed to every household on the 15th of February, April, May, June, August, October and December.

### E-mail Lists

A variety of e-mail lists are available free to the public. Sign up to receive notices at [www.ci.irving.tx.us/informed](http://www.ci.irving.tx.us/informed).

## NEW WATER RESTRICTIONS

Due to water shortages caused by continuing drought conditions, the City of Irving has enacted Stage 3 of its Drought Contingency Plan, effective Dec. 2, which requires mandatory water restrictions. All water restrictions from Stages 1 and 2 remain in effect during Stage 3. Irving water customers are required to conserve water by adhering to the following Stage 3 restrictions:

- Landscape watering is allowed twice per week based on the last digit of service address. Even-numbered houses and businesses may water on Tuesdays and Saturdays; odd-numbered addresses may water on Wednesdays and Sundays. No watering is allowed on Mondays, Thursdays or Fridays, and no watering is allowed between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.
- Foundations and new plantings may only be watered using a hand-held garden hose, soaker hose, bucket or drip irrigation for up to two hours on the designated watering days.
- Washing of any motor vehicle, motorbike, boat or trailer is only permitted on the designated watering days and times using a hand-held bucket or hose equipped with a positive shutoff nozzle.
- Refilling indoor or outdoor pools/Jacuzzi-type pools is prohibited. Only newly constructed and repaired pools can be filled.
- Operation of any ornamental fountain or pond is prohibited, except where necessary to support aquatic life or where such fountains are equipped with a recirculation system.
- Fire hydrant use is limited to firefighting-related activities to maintain water quality or for construction purposes by securing a special permit from Irving Water Utilities.
- Prohibited uses of water:
  1. Washing down hard-surfaced areas (sidewalks, parking lots, etc.).
  2. Washing buildings or structures except for fire protection or in preparation for painting.
  3. Use of water for dust control, except when affecting public health and safety.
  4. Flushing gutters or permitting water to run or accumulate in street.
  5. Failure to repair controllable leaks.

Any person who does not observe the watering restrictions will be subject to fines of up to \$2,000. Each day the plan is violated will be considered a separate offense. Call (972) 721-2281.



## ALARM PERMIT ORDINANCE CHANGES

A city ordinance has been passed with revisions to provide minimum standards and regulations applicable to alarm systems. All homes and/or businesses with an alarm system must possess a valid permit for the Police Department to respond to an alarm.

A 30-day administrative non-enforcement period will be observed with ordinance enforcement to begin Feb. 1. All alarm companies are required to notify customers of the need to obtain a permit. The permit fee will now cost \$50; however, permit holders over age 65 will pay \$10. It is valid for one year upon receipt of the annual fee, and will automatically be renewed unless canceled by the permit holder.

The service fee for false alarms is as follows: no charge for one to three, \$50 for four to five, \$75 for six to seven and \$100 for eight or more false alarms. The permit holder may dispute any false alarm findings by contacting the chief within 10 days after notice of the service fee was mailed. Call (972) 721-2684.

## AUTO BURGLARY AWARENESS

Reduce your risk of becoming an auto burglary victim by following these tips. Always:

- Close your windows and lock your vehicle and garage doors.
- Park in well lit areas.
- Use exterior lighting around your garage or vehicle.
- Hide or remove valuables from your vehicle.
- Set your car alarm.
- Keep a list of serial numbers for your commonly used electronic equipment.
- Never leave keys in your car.
- Call 911 to report suspicious persons in parking lots or neighborhoods.

The Irving Police Department is committed to educating residents on ways they can reduce the chances of becoming a victim. Call (972) 721-2544.

